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SUBJECT: JAPAN EC ON MTN SAFEGUARDS

REF: TOKYO 6745

1. FURTHER TO COMMENTS IN REFTEL, JAPANESE DEL SOURCES
LATE LAST WEEK MADE EMPHATIC POINT THAT ONE OF JAPANESE
PRE-CONDITIONS FOR ENGAGING IN SOME SELECTIVE SAFEGUARDS
NEGOTIATION WITH EC WAS LATTER'S COMMITMENT TO
"IMMEDIATELY" BEGIN NEGOTIATING PHASE-OUT OF (A) BI-
LATERAL SAFEGUARD CLAUSES STILL IN EFFECT (IN UK, FRANCE,
BENELUX) BUT CONSTRAINED BY EC COMMISSION COMPETENCE
AND (B) RESIDUAL DISCRIMINATORY QRS IN SOME EC MEMBER
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STATES (PRIMARILY FRANCE AND ITALY, AND TO LESSER
EXTENT IN BENELUX AND FRG). JAPANESE INDICATED THAT
COMMUNITY'S JANUARY OFFER TO NEGOTIATE ON 33 OF 75 QRS
REQUESTED FOR ELIMINATION STILL COVERED "ONLY ABOUT
20 PER CENT" OF THE QRS CONCERNING JAPAN--I.E.,
JAPANESE WERE TRYING TO CRACK AN EC POSITION THAT SOME
80 PER CENT OF ITS SELECTIVE QRS AGAINST JAPAN WERE NON-

NEGOTIABLE. THIS HAD BEEN PUT TO HAERKAMP AND DENMAN
IN TOKY AND WOULD BE FORCEFULLY PURSUED IN BRUSSELS.

2. IN DISCUSSION OF ANOTHER SUBJECT THIS MORNING,
UKAWA VOLUNTEERED THAT JAPANESE DEL WILL BE MAKING A
BRUSSELS TRIP SHORTLY AND THAT IN ADDITION TO PURSUING
RESIDUAL QR/SAFEGUARD CLAUSE PRBLEM, IT HOPES TO
CONFIRM EC WILLINGNESS TO HAVE SERIOUS NEGOTIATION ON
TIGHT CONDITIONS LIMITING SELECTIVITY. IN THIS CONNEC-
TION JAPANESE MAY HAND OVER THEIR PAPER ON SELECTIVITY
DISCIPLINES (TEXT IN GENEVA 4411) IN RETURN FOR PAPER
COMMISSION IS DRAFTING ON SAME SUBJECT (NOTED IN
GENEVA 5511).

3. DRAFTED BY HARTZELL CULBERT

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